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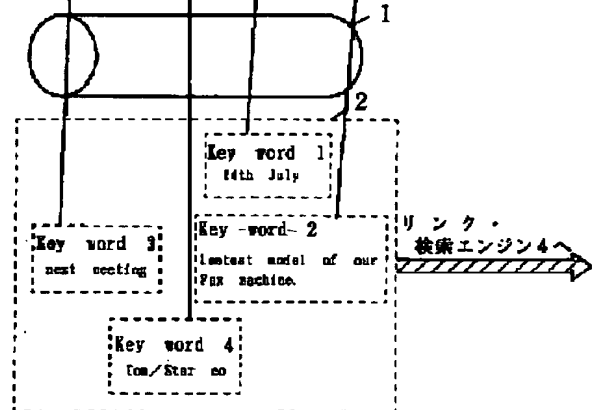
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To Mr Mike Jones/TDF co.  
From Tom/Star co.  
Thank you for your nice supporting.  
Would you like to inform you about  
next meeting on 14th July.  
We will show you the latest model of our  
Fax machine.  
Next model will provide you better  
performance.  
Please let us explain that performance.

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ABSTRACT : PROBLEM TO BE SOLVED: To facilitate retrieval of schedule related information by relating files in plural information sources to the schedule of a scheduler through an automatically retrieved keyword.

SOLUTION: When an original image is not text data but image data, the image data is made into text data by OCR processing with an optical character reader(OCR) engine 1. Therefore, the keyword is automatically retrieved from a file made into text data or text file by a keyword retrieval engine 2. Thus, the information source of an original, for which the keyword is determined, or the like is related (linked) to the date, schedule, etc., of the scheduler by a link/retrieval engine 4 and made into data base by a file management/storage engine later. When confirming a schedule of that day through the scheduler, for example, the information (schedule related information) related to this schedule is called by the link/retrieval engine 4. Besides, a browser engine is started with that keyword and retrieval on an internet is performed.

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